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## Clean Version of Each Replacement Paragraph In the Specification

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The following is an exemplary description of the invention without any restriction of general inventive idea, with reference to the drawing which is explicitly references in all other respects as far as the disclosure of all inventive details is concerned which are not explained in more details in the text. In the drawing:

Fig. 1 is a longitudinal sectional view taken through an inventive trocar sleeve;

Fig. 2 shows a conventional trocar sleeve; and

Fig. 3 shows an embodiment of the trocar sleeve of Fig. 1.

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A flange 4 is provided on the proximal end of the trocar sleeve 1, by which the trocar sleeve 1 bears against the outer wall of the abdominal wall for fixing the trocar by "clamping" the abdominal wall between the flange 4 and the longitudinal portions 11, 12.

To this end the flange 4 may be adjustable in the longitudinal direction along the central portion 2, as shown in Figure 3.